Janet Napolitano

Office of the Governor

* ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS WEEK *

WHEREAS, many forms of legalized gaming exist in Arizona, including the Arizona Lottery, Indian gaming and parimutuel racing; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's Indian gaming provides substantial funds for problem gambling programs throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Gaming's Office of Problem Gambling administers problem gambling funds for programs for problem gamblers and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Lottery has, since 1998, had a formal statewide responsible gambling program; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Council on Compulsive Gambling, Inc., an Arizona Non-Profit has provided compulsive gambling, education, awareness and prevention programs in Arizona since 1994; and

WHEREAS, the National Council on Problem Gambling and the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators have declared the week of March 8-14, 2004, as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, 36 state councils will be promoting Problem Gambling Awareness Week March 8-14, 2004; and

WHEREAS, through programming and education, potential and existing gambling-related problems can be addressed by both individuals, organizations and state and tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona supports and endorses Problem Gambling education, awareness and prevention programs;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Governor Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 8-14, 2004 as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-seventh day of February in the year Two Thousand and Four and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-eighth.

ATTEST:

Enice K. Grewer